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In re Application of:
Naruhiro Masui

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For: INFORMATION RECORDING METHOD
AND APPARATUS

Examiner: K. K. Chu

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

Applicant thanks the Examiner for the courtesy extended to the Applicant during the phone call on August 24, 2007 and the subsequent telephonic interview on August 27, 2007. In response to the Office Action dated January 10, 2007, and in light of the interview, Applicant requests reconsideration in view of the following remarks.

Claims 14, 15 and 17 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 5,901,123 to Taniguchi et al. ("Taniguchi"). The rejection is respectfully traversed.

Claim 14 recites "first sync information generating means for generating first codes that represent first sync patterns for a portion of the sync frames such that each